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A report giving fragmentary information on navigation aids in the Gelendzhik Bay and Novorossiysk areas, minesweepers in Novorossiysk, and port clearance questioning by Soviet authorities [redacted]

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2. Navigation Aid W/ Glendzhik Bay: [redacted] vessel passed Glendzhik Bay (44°33' N. 38°48' E) enroute to Novorossiisk [redacted]. Two rather weak, white light [redacted] one approximately in line with the north arm of the bay and the other four to five miles south opposite the southern arm of the bay. They appeared to be light buoys. The northern light flashed singly at regular intervals. The southern light was a group flashing light showing a group of two flashes at regular intervals.

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3. Soviet Naval Vessels: Six Soviet Navy minesweepers were berthed near the [redacted] and Naval Basin. [redacted] The minesweepers each had a single stack and one mast. They were armed with one gun forward and aft and three machine guns mounted on the superstructure. Each vessel carried four red objects resembling torpedoes stacked in a vertical position in rows along the port and starboard decks amidships. These objects were over two meters in length. Four bladed propellers were attached to the base of each one. Four paravanes were mounted amidships on cylinders. These paravanes and the "cylinders" upon which they were mounted were also painted red.

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4. [redacted] patrol vessel [redacted] sailed from Novorossiisk and returned [redacted]. The other vessels remained at their berths [redacted].

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5. Aircraft Observed - Glendzhik Bay Area: [redacted] in Novorossiisk harbor a contrail was produced by an aircraft travelling south from Glendzhik at a very high altitude. The aircraft was too high for visual observation but the sound of a jet engine was heard.

6. Mooring Buoys: Two black buoys were moored 100-120 meters apart in a line at a right angle from the center of West Breakwater. The buoy closest to the breakwater was 100 meters from it.